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McClure - Bess Claims Interests Mining Firm

YUCCA VALLEY—Last week's Joshua Journal story of the gold strike near Pioneertown may be responsible for immediate development of the McClure-Bess claims below Tip-top mountain at the head of Rattlesnake Canyon. M. A. Woodall and Bill Williams of Yucca Valley, co-owners of the claims told a Journal reporter today that the story was read by Geo. A. Rubens of Los Angeles and that a phone call was immediately made concerning the value of the placer. Mr. Ruben, part owner of the Desert Land Co. and other extensive land holdings in Morongo and Yucca Valley was a visitor to Yucca Valley to see the properties. After inspecting the claims and discussing the matter with Mr. Woodall and Mr. Williams he agreed to return Friday, Nov. 4th, with his mining engineer for a survey. If a favorable report is found by his engineer work will bein immediately upon mining operations.

Mr. Ruben said that modern recovery equipment would be used and that a mining crew of fifty men would be needed due to the extensive amount of placer to be moved. Mr. Ruben will make his headquarters, with his staff, at the Sky Motel in Yucca where he will interview anyone interested in the mining operations.

With Mr. Ruben on his visit today were his wife, Bob Sanders Jr., and wife, John L. Donahue, and Irving L. Pusher.

Scouts to Sell Xmas Trees

YUCCA VALLEY — Clay Tunstall, chairman of the Lions Club sponsored Scout Troop No. 75 committee, said today that arrangements have been made through the efforts of Herb Longshaw, Trading Post proprietor of Joshua Tree, to buy Xmas trees for the Boy Scouts to sell in their campaign to raise money for the permanent Scout camp on the Whitehorn Ranch Estates.

The Scouts and their leaders will take orders for trees in November and will sell them at Los Angeles prices. All merchants in this area have agreed to allow the sale of trees to the Boy Scouts, so if you are planning to buy a tree this year contact Clay Tunstall in Yucca Valley, Herb Longshaw in Joshua Tree, or any member of the Boy Scouts, or Lions Club.

Yucca Valley Oil Co. Changes Hands

YUCCA VALLEY—Art Goodwin and "French" Lewis, long-time residents of Yucca Valley have sold their interests in the Yucca Valley Oil Co., which they have operated over two years. The station has been purchased by Mr. Harvey Odgers from Plymouth, Michigan who recently came here with his wife.

Mr. Odgers who heard about Yucca Valley from his brother-in-law, a resident of Thousand Palms, came here for health reasons and claims this to be the finest climate he has ever lived in.

Women's Club Installs Officers

A beautiful and impressive candle ceremony in the installation of officers made the afternoon of Oct. 29th, one long to be remembered by the members and guests of the Yucca Village Woman's Club. The Club has just recently been organized and its honored first officers are: President, Anne Pitcheman; vice president, Alice Webster; second vice president, Elsie Woodall; secretary, Frances Hopman; treasurer, Ethel Johnston; auditor, Charlotte Guinan; parliamentarian, Jean Lewis; historian, Mabel Mellettes, and chaplain, Ellen Gardner. Installing officers were Goldie Goodwin and Mary Lombardo.

After the installation a delicious dessert-luncheon was served in the colorfully and tastefully decorated American Legion Hall which will be the temporary home of the Club. Hostesses for the day were Florence Hansen and Margaret Jewell. Canasta was played for the duration of the aftrenoon. The Club meets the second and fourth Friday afternoon at 12:45 p.m. of each month.

Even though the Twentynine Palms Pioneer Day Parade is just a memory the Yucca Village Woman's Club is still receiving compliments on their entry . . . an artistically decorated float and the eight ladies dressed in the vogue of 1849, plumed bonnett, muttonleg sleeves and bustles. It has been suggested by many that the Club enter the float in the Palm Spring's Desert Circus Week Parade in May.

Noted Child Psychologist to Lecture in Yucca

YUCCA VALLEY—Mrs. Inga C. McDaniels, child psychologist of San Bernardino County Schools will be the guest speaker at the Yucca Valley PTA "potluck" dinner on Nov. 2nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Club hall. Mrs. McDaniels has had a wealth of experience in this field and has many valuable hints for parents.

The "potluck" supper is open to the public and all valley residents are invited to the lecture, even if they are unable to attend the dinner. Bring your own table service and covered dishes.

"Cisco Kid" Begins November 14th

PIONEERTOWN — "Cisco Kid" number five starring Duncan Ronaldo and Leo Carrillo begins shooting Nov. 14th. Originally scheduled to begin on the 28th of October, the film was postponed due to delays in getting the script ready.

Phil Krasne, producer, Abe Ab-rams, director; Monty Cohn, flim cutter; Mel Marks, assistant production manager; two cameramen and Louie Germomprez drove up to the locations Sunday for last minute check-up on location shots

Dead Man's Curve Comes to Life

MORONGO VALLEY — In a recent letter to Governor Warren concerning the hazard of Dead Man's curve and a request that some immediate and tangible action be taken, the following reply was received by the Lions Club who have taken up the initiative on this issue.

October 20,1949

Yucca Valley Lions Club
P. O. Box 77
Yucca Valley, California
Gentlemen:

Further reference is made to your letter of September 17 with respect to the condition of a section of highway termed "Dead Man's Curve" east of Whitewater on the road to Twentynine Palms, concerning which I have received a report from the Director of Public Works.

The Director informs me that the Division of Highways is endeavoring to plan some major improvements at the point you call "Dead Man's Curve," and that they will do what they can to make this worst curve safe for the speed for which the rest of the road should be used.

Your interest in the development of adequate highways is appreciated.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,
EARL WARREN
Governor

Swanky Night Club Opens in Morongo

Thursday evening was the preliminary opening of the "swanky" Double OO Ranch, night club, formerly Silk's Guest Inn and the Al Borg Hotel.

The new owners Mr. Garcia and Mr. Musquez of San Bernardino entertained friends and the people of Morono Valley, treating everyone royal, serving food and refreshments to everyone without charge.

They have greatly changed the interior of the Inn and improved the roads, which they will blacktop. More improvements are to come and more units to be built. The place is lit up beautifully with green neon signs and bright lights, outside that no one can miss seeing when they come over the hill at night.

They are endeavoring to get an airport close by. Arrangements are under way.

Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hess were entertained at dinner, followed by a game of Canasta, in Indio by their friends Constable and Mrs. Fred Witt.

Bunker - Summers Dissolve Land Company Partnership

JOSHUA TREE — Forrest M. Summers announced yesterday consummation of a deal with Chester R. Bunker to sell his interest in the Bunker-Summers Land Co. of Joshua Tree. Mr. Bunker who is buying Mr. Summer's interest in the land company will also purchase his partner's interest in the Joshua Journal.

Mr. Summers, a major turkey grower at Sunfair, said yesterday at an interview, that he is making the deal so that he may further expand his interests in turkey growing. After two years in the business here, he is of the opinion that the turkey industry is the best money making proposition in the West. "In that time," he stated, "I have paid off my original investment, shown a profit and can finance my own home; what other business can boast of such a profitable return?"

"In the two short years that the Sunfair Turkey growers have been operating on a commercial scale, they have proven this to be the best area in the United States, for health, weight, and quality of meat. The two past years were preceded by two years of experimenting. Losses here have been by far the lowest in the country, only eight percent, as compared with the average of twenty-seven percent through the nation. I believe that this will be the largest turkey growing area in the United States, including installation of processing plants, hatcheries, feed mills, cold storage plants and breeding farms. We eventually plan to ship our eggs by air-express all over the world."

Pioneertown to Get Bird

PIONEERTOWN— Pioneertown will literally get the bird if plans for turkey ranches develop as Russ Hayden, president of the Corporation, hopes. At the annual stockholder's meeting in Hollywood last Friday, Oct. 28th, Hayden said that a new subdivision would be opened exclusively for turkey ranches and that a model farm would be built to help in sales of turkey land.

President Hayden prefaced the meeting with a review of the past two years activities, in which he noted that some disappointments and failures have only laid the ground-work for a more successful future. A reiteration of the coming films to be made stressed the confidence that the motion picture industry has in Pioneertown.

In regards to turkey raising, "Pioneertown can profit by the experiments and mistakes of other turkey ranchers in this immediate area," he said. Qualified experts have announced the area as perfect for raising turkeys.

An election of new board officers was held, and the following were voted into office: Russ Hayden, Ralph Dawson, Ira L. Osborne, Frank McDonald, Richard Wambiesmans, Loyd McDonald and Harry Shoad.

Ground Cleared for New School

YUCCA VALLEY — Ground was cleared and brush fired on the lot where the new Consolidated School for the elementary grades of the Morongo School Districts is to be located. Mr. Fred Story, one of the co-founders of Yucca Village, told members of the Breakfast Club, Sunday, that contract bids for the new school would be accepted between October 28th and November 26th of this year, and that possibly one of the bids would be accepted before the 1st of December, when work would probably begin on the structure. Asked if local help would be used on the construction of the school, Mr. Story replied that that was entirely up to the dictates of the contractor, but that usually some local labor was employed on such projects.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CLUB OFFICERS ELECTIONS

JOSHUA TREE — President Harold Jost of the Joshua Tree Community Assocaition Club urges all members please be present at annual nomination of club officers to be held Nov. 10th.

Local Artist Honored at Tea

JOSHUA TREE— Mrs. Evelyn Hutchinson new Joshua Tree resident who purchased the Edith Parrish property was honored by the Verdugo Art Association at a tea given in honor of the winning artist at their annual art exhibit. Mrs. Hutchinson won top award in the water colors division. Her entry was a desert-mountain scene titled, "Early Mornnig."

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For the past four or five years the wail has been, "we need an industry and a pay-roll here in the desert." Have you read the last report of the Joshua Tree Monument National Bank of Twentynine Palms? Did you note how much money was being invested in real-estate, how much in loans, how much in savings, not to mention the daily turn-over in business receipts? Know where all that money comes from? Right out of the pure air and dry sunshine of our desert. That's our pay-roll; there's your industry. Know how it all happened. Well, it all started further back than we can remember, way back to a postage stamp, the first one used when the first settler wrote to a friend and told him about this wonderful desert climate and how it was curing his arthritis, or T. B., or what-ever it was he had.

Right at your own finger tips is our industry and payroll. What are you doing about it besides your share of wailing? Just three cents, only a postage stamp and we're in business. Every week some new person settles in Morongo, Joshua Tree, Pioneertown, Yucca Valley or in Twentynine Palms all because someone else invested three cents, instead of wailing. How about you? You know how to write, don't you? There are millions of people suffering from arthritis, rheumatism, bronchial asthma, sinus and many other ailments that the desert has a cure for. Of those millions many thousands have the financial support to live without other outside income. Of many who have come some have brought industry with them; ceramics, leather-craft, mining, curios, turkey raising, poultry and eggs, machine work, drilling, recreation, to name a few. They have all been started by some one here in the desert, some one seeking health. The more people, the more ideas and industry.

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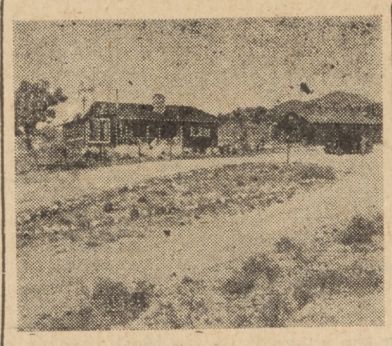

THE JOSHUAS

Lowly Philosophy

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON

LOWLY PHILOSOPHY
I PASS IT ON TO YOU

Lillian Wright sent the following lines from a news paper clipping to her sister, Osa Fisher, who in turn, shared it with me. I am sure that you, also, will enjoy James Metcalfe's beautifully expressed sentiments in his poem — GOD BLESS YOU SISTER. ....

"God bless you, darling sister, and with all my heart I pray that all your hopes will be fulfilled on this your special day . . . I send you birthday greetings, dear, across the many miles . . . . With deep devotion and with all my gratitude and smiles . . . . My thanks for your encouragement, and for your faith in me; . . . . My admiration for your life in God's company . . . Your every day is like a song for all the world to hear, and every message you impart is filled with joy and cheer . . . . I hope that all your prayers are heard, and all your dreams come true; . . . And may God bless you and bestow His richest gifts on you."

Letter to the Editor

Dear Ed.: I see where the land and the old street cars are for sale in Yucca Valley. It would be a good investment for that town to buy it and set the cars afire. They are an eye-sore that have prevented many people from investing there.

Very truly yours,
CLARENCE SPENCER
Alhambra, Calif.

Yucca Breakfast Club Off to Challenging Start

YUCCA — The second meeting of Yucca Valley's informal Breakfast Club got off to a stimulating beginning last Sunday when O. D. Thomas (miraculously recovering from illness that kept him in bed two weeks) challenged the club to begin writing letters to friends to visit Yucca Valley over week-ends, or any time convenient. Said Mr. Thomas, "If every member of this community were to write ten letters to friends inviting them to visit our desert health area the motels, stores, and gas stations couldn't handle the business, and that we'd get the best possible advertising from such a gesture."

There was a lively discussion concerning cooperation between communities, the suggestion being made to bury any past differences and begin with a clean slate, reference being made to the ambulance, and school problem in particular. A strong movement was made by new members to make an executive body of the Breakfast Club, but it was pointed out by charter members that such an effort would result in just another defunct executive group. The purpose of the club being solely to stimulate suggestive ideas and thought for other service clubs, to take action. This argument resulted in members of the C of C present to call a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to re-activate that dormant body.

The usual good breakfast was served by Bouchey's. Meeting time is 8:30 every Sunday morning at Bouchey's, and all Yucca Valley men are invited to be present.

Church Corner

JOSHUA TREE — Thirty in attendance at Sunday School and a goodly number at church. D. Williams delivered another sermon on "Faith in God" . . . the social world is antagonistic to the soul, doubts will creep in and undermine the whole structure of our faith if we do not keep close to God. . . . On Saturday, from 2 to 4 p.m., Mrs. H. K. Lee, Supt. of the Sunday School, assisted by Mesdames Young and Todd conducted a Halloween party for the children, 26 in number Each wore a party cap and had a very gay time.

Yucca Valley Community Church notice—Ladies Aid will meet Nov. 15th at 11:00 o'clock at Mrs. Wilson Lindsay's home. Come prepared to sew.

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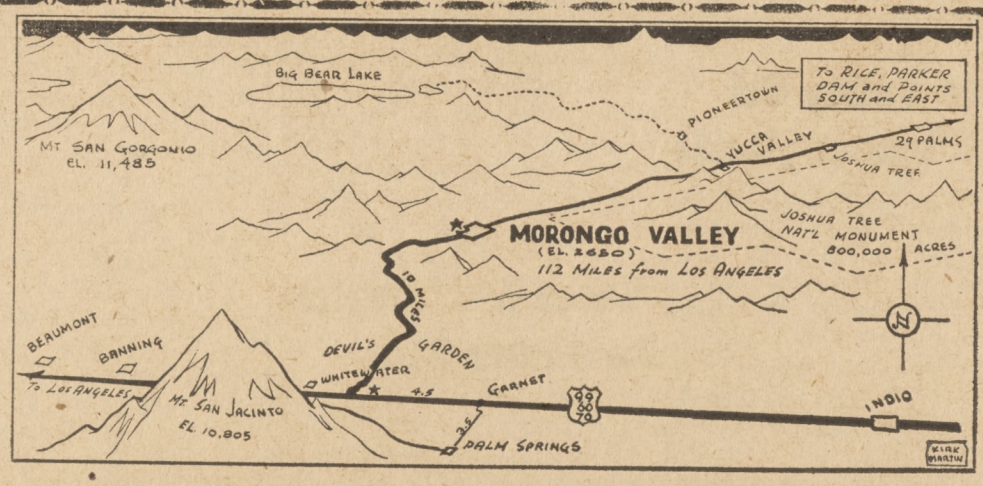

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Joshua Tree Notes

. . . Mrs. Alice Grant of Frankfort, New York and her sons and wife spent Sunday as guests of Mrs. Beckwith. Mr. Grant is taking his mother and wife on an extended tour of America's vacation spots. . . . . Mrs. May Carl of Los Angeles, sister of Mrs. Flo Magill, visited several days, returning home Thursday . . . . . Mr. and Mrs. Philo Gibson and sons Donald, Jesse, and Jack, and daughter Lou Ann of Wallace, Idaho, were visitors at the Lucean Bishops in Sunfair for the past week . . . . . J. T. Atfield of Pasadena arrived in Joshua Tree last Thursday after being lost north of Victorville. "It was a mistake," he said, "but a pleasant one," my wife and I have decided to stay over-night at the Smith Lodge and enjoy the climate." Mr. and Mrs. Atfield had just completed a trip north to Vancouver. Alert Lyle Allen of the Steak House handed him a C of C brochure and a copy of the Journal . . . . . Geo. Beard is glazing windows in a greenhouse near UCLA for the next three months (need some linament, Geo?). . . . Bob Garry's "new" used car lot sounds like some business for Wood's . . . . . Seems like everyone was out of a job a couple of weeks ago, but last week Meredith Wiley had to recruit old broken down bar-tenders to help pour cement on the Whitehorn swimming pool (Don Houghton put in fourteen hours, same day of the D-Bar-J opening. It takes a good bar tender to shovel twenty-five yards of sand. Please pass the alcohol . . . . . Very busy this week at the Building Supply. That new shed is selling lots of lumber . . . . . Big whooping birthday party for Al Hanson, Supt. of the Ivanhoe Mine last Sat. nite at the Benedicts. Al was just the same age at Jack Benny (39) . . . . . nice flower box just finished at Crane's new Real Estate office (for burying dead deals?) good job of block laying, Papendick, can we use your "mud man" next? . . . . . Latest Rumor on Section 13 Dept: Lucky Lager is to build a plant for the special purpose of using Joshua country water for their brew (hic! We've been intoxicated on it for years.) . . . . . Guests of Margret Bair over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Westcott of Long Beach. . . . . Guests last week at the Joshua Tree Lodge were: Mrs. Elsie C. Mitchum of Hawthorne; Mrs. Grace McGovney of L. A. and Col. E. B. Moore of Burbank . . . . . Miss Eugenia Williams, recently released from Army nursing in Europe has been visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Williams, this past week. . . . . Mrs. Julia Laughton accompanied Mr. and Mrs. James Dyer of Hollydale for a brief visit with Mrs. Dyer's mother in Prescott, Arizona . . . . . Mrs. Frank Haley who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Julie Laughlin, returned to her home in Madison, S. a Dakota, on Monday a.m.

Branthoover Campaign Pays Off

JOSHUA TREE — President Branthoover of the local C of C started a personal campaign recently to publicize our wonderful desert climate's cure for arthirtis and other ailments. It is paying off. Two weeks ago Mr. John R. Mercer of Bremerton, Washington arrived in Joshua Tree after reading about it through the C of C brochure and the pages of the Journal. He feels so much relief from his arthiritis that he has decided to make his home here. Good proof that it pays to advertise. Mr. Branthoover urges that all citizens of Joshua Tree should indulge in this campaign to bring more arthirities suffers to this curing climate.

"THE BLACK RIDER"

PIONEERTOWN—(In last week's issue we were misled by an erroneous report that Russ Hayden was to star in a series of "Hop-A-Long Cassidy" films. We stand corrected that the pictures will be "The Black Rider," beginning Nov. 7th in Pioneertown.—Ed.)

PROPOSITION 2 DISCUSSION AT COMMUNITY HALL

JOSHUA TREE—A meeting of those interested in Proposition No. 2 (Old Age Pension Fund) will be held at the Community Hall Friday, Nov. 4th, at 8 p.m.

Branch County Librarians Meeting

Mrs. Irene Wilde, local librarian has been invited to attend the sixth annual branch library assistants' meeting to be held in San Bernardino on Tuesday, November 1, it was learned here this week.

A number of new library procedures that have arisen during the past year will be discussed, it is ponited out by Miss Helen Luce, County librarian, who will preside at the luncheon and afternoon meeting. In charge of the morning session wlil be Miss Lura Wallace, head of the branch department, and Miss Mary Jo Meade, children's librarian.

The morning meeting will be held at the county library while the luncheon and afternoon session will be at St. Paul's Methodist Church.

Dr. Lawrence Clark Powell, librarian of UCLA and newly elected president of the California Library Association, will be the principal afternoon speaker. He will talk on "Books and people and the earth on which we live."

Also invited to speak at the luncheon are several local and nearby authors. Among those expected are Pauline Stiles, Edmund Jaeger, and Dr. Irma Webber.

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Yucca Valley Notes

Seventeen boys were present Wednesday night for their weekly session in Woodcraft at the Youth Center. Many fine things are being accomplished at these classes. All boys in the valley are welcome and urged to attend. By the way, refreshments are served at the close of each meeting.

Articles made by the boys were sold at Ladies Aid food sale, $9.50 being realized. This money will enable the boys to buy better equipment which is badly needed. . . . . The Ladies Aid food sale that was held on Sat., Oct. 29, was a success. The ladies wish to thank everyone for their cooperation. . . . . Dr. and Mrs. Paul Highby, Mrs. Claire Marble and Mrs. Dorothy Smale were weekend guests of Mrs. Louise Nahhas . . . . . .

COMMUNITY CLUB NEWS

YUCCA VALLEY —

Did you hear all the noise and racket at the Community Club Saturday night? Don't be alarmed! It was just all of the townfolks and many out of towners, too, having a big time at the annual HALLOWEEN MASQUERADE dance. . . . . Just before intermission the masqueraders promenaed the hall in couples to select the best coustmes for which prizes were given. Three men and three women were chosen. . . . First prize went to Clara and Al Livingstone, 2nd to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Deyhle, and 3rd to Fred LaFerney and Dorothy Tunstall. . . . . .

In all fairness to the boys who helped the girls win the prize at the Twentynine Palms parade we wish to name the partners now. LaDon Lewin-Gordon Pifer, Iona Lorenson-Bob Schuly, Joyce LaFerney-Noel Gillette, and Irene Tunstall-Jim Akins. Rusty Orr and Jim Boldeman were the musicians and Johnny Kee the peppy caller. Driver for our float was the very kind Mr. Woodall who not only drove for us but lent the truck too.

. . . Mr. Harrell one of Yucca's oldest, if not the oldest settler, was married over the week-end. Mr. Harrell was not to be located for an interview . . . . . Young Bruce Burns found a weather-beaten Big-Horn sheep's horn (there we did it) near Sky Ranch recently . . . . . Mr. Cantz owner of the Corner Store had a special "sale" early Tuesday a.m. Said "sale" being of the "Chic Sale" variety and found at the entrance of the Corner Store. Did somebody miss something very early Tues? . . . . Scout Master Bob Stephenson is resigning from the job of herding Troop 75 due to other pressing busniess. Anyone interested in the job please contact Clay Tunstall of the Scout Committee.

YUCCA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO RE-ACTIVATE

YUCCA VALLEY — All members of the Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce, and those interested are hereby urged to attend the next meeting of the Chamber scheduled to be held the 2nd. Friday in November. More detailed information will be published in the next issue of the Joshua Journal.

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Morongo Valley Notes

M. Rosella Hess

The Morongo Trailer park, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Drew Secrist, hav meade their park more attractive to their tenants by installing a Croquet grounds and a shuffle board. Their place is very attractive with good sized trees, climbing roses and a pretty cactus garden. Recently several of their trees were destroyed by roaming cattle, action was taken and msot of the cattle have been trucked out of the valley. . . . . Mr. and Mrs. August Terp, of Monrovia, who have a home in Morongo Valley, spent the week-end here. Mrs. Terp is famous for her fine candies, the receipts of which she brought with her from the old country where she supplied candy for the Royal houses of Denmark and Sweden. Christmas orders are now coming in. She supplies many of the best firms in Los Angeles, Beverly Hills, and other places, also many of the movie colony. Her candy is out of this world, so to speak. . . . . .

Mrs. Carlette Wolf of Arcadia, specializing in fine photographs, blowing up her pictures to a large size and painting them beautifully by hand. She gets as high as eighty dollars for a single picture, also doing moderately priced work. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. A. Terp to Morongo for the week end. She would like a place in Morongo Valley and plans on returning after the first of the year . . . . . Mrs. A. E. Wilcke of Morono Valley was taken to the California Lutheran Hospital in Los Angeles Monday of last week, where she underwent a serious operation. The people of the valley wish her a speedy recovery. Mr. Wilcke accompanied his wife to Los Angeles. The Wilche's recently built a modernistic home near the highway in Morongo Valley and moved here from Yucca Valley . . . . . Mr. A. P. Sumrall of Monterey Park, purchased a business lot recently from H. M. Hess and plans to erect a plumbing shop with a display room in the front of the building for appliances. . . . . Mr. Anton Terp of the Hitching Post, who has been suffering from bad knees which were hurt in the Yellowstone Park bus accident in which his wife sustained fatal injuries, was taken to the Loma Linda Hospital last week, where he expects to remain at least two weeks. His son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ulrich accompanied him there and have made several trips there to cheer him up. . . . . Mr. and Mrs. Martin Angel, who have operated a cafe in the valley for the past several years, have sold their interests in the cafe to a party from Yucca Valley. They have not as yet decided just where they will locate. The Angels will be missed in the valley and the best of luck is wished them wherever they go. . . . . Mr. and Mrs. A. Kuhns of Sherman Oaks, who have property here, were here recently looking over the many changes in the valley They said they could see how it had grown by the number of additional lights in homes in the valley at night. . . . . Mr. and Mrs. Drew Secrist had as a guest last week their nephew, Eddie Strickler of Los Aneles, a high school student. . . . . Mrs. Valentine McCracken is remodeling her place of busniess which included the Morongo Valley Post office and Variety store. She has sold her merchandise, which will be moved soon and the entire front room will be used as a post office, because of the considerable growth in the valley's population. She will enlarge her present living quarters by including the present room used for the post office. The post office has been advanced from a fourth grade to a third grade post office.

. . . The Morongo Valley float for the Pioneer Day's parade was decorated by Mrs. Larraine Johnson, president of the Women's Club. Mr. Extrum's pick-up truck was used for the occasion. . . . Mr. H. M. Hess has been invited to speak on the cattle situation to residents of Joshua Tree, in the near future. Many cattle have been shipped out of the valley as a result of the efforts of Mr. Hess and Mr. Drew Secrist.

. . . Morongo Community Masquerade Dance last Monday was one of the best parties ever. Sponsored by the Women's Club and well attended. First prize for best costume went to Mrs. Jones who came dressed as an African Hottentot. An invasion by Yucca Valley fun makers livened the party.

Jimmy Gibb Opens Restaurant

MORONGO—Jimmy Gibb, former U. S. Army Air Force squadron commander, and a resident of Yucca Valley has recently purchased the Angel's Cafe property in Morongo Valley, Jimmy, who has lived in Tuscon, Desert Hot Springs and other desert areas found the ideal climate for his health in the Greater Morongo Basin area. Jimmy is here to stay and has established himself in business to prove it.

Opening Saturday, Nov. 5th, at 7:30 a.m. the JIMMY GIBB CAFE will be a "shoe-string" beginning, says Jimmy. He plans to serve short orders and two meat courses at present, later he will expand into foods specially prepared to tempt the appetite. Assisting Jimmy as chef will be Charlie Maddox, formerly chef at Elton's in Desert Hot Springs, and at the Stables in Palm Springs. The grand opening will be postponed a few weeks, says Jimmy. Welcome to Morongo, Jimmy and Charlie.

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Joshua Tree Desert As I See It — In Moonlight

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Perhaps it is the elevation, it seems so close to the sky, perhaps the mysterious Joshua Trees with their extended branches, which look like pleading arms of prayer, or the fantastic coloring of the mountains as they reflect the moon — the magic of this moonlight Desert weaves patterns of etherial beauty that mark of Artists have tried to transfer as their canvasses — to be atuned to the Deserts' elements, is to feel this dynamic serenity, and to hear this silence, which speaks so eloquently, as one gazes on the panorama of our Creators work, with all its abundance of rich resources and beauty, it is hard to believe that elsewhere in other parts of the world there are those who construct weapons of desrtuction, whose minds are filled with reed and who leave wars, carnages, famine and chaos behind them, one wonders if their conscious remains alive through all eternity, how much of it they would mant to undo, seein all the miseries they have created.

We are but visitors on this earth for a very short time, and as grateful guests, we should leave with an appreciation for all we have experienced in our span of existence, gifts of kindness, tolerance, and creations of beauty to our fellowmen. These are the thoughts that fill one as in prayer, when gazing into the firmament with all its mysteries — I would suggest in my humble way, for all those who are weary of the tensions and frantic worries of our present days, to retreat for a while in this serene and natural cathedral to fortify ones self physically and spiritually to Joshua Tree Desert.

A Mood by Rashelle Doree.

Indian Cove Notes

Carey and Dick Lathrop of Indian Cove Snack Bar were hosts Snack Bar were host and hostess to a double wedding anniversary dinner party, Tuesday, October 25th, in honor of Jack and Ginger Phoenix and Tommy and Marie Cleary. The doors of the Snack Bar were closed, making the party private. Charcoal Broiled steaks were served, and other guests were John and Lil Allen. . . .

Kathryn Sevard and cousin Peggy O'Neal of Pasadena were visitors here for several days. Mrs. Sevard formerly lived at Indian Cove.

. . . Carey and Dick Lathrop enjoyed a visit with their son, Ray and his wife, Mimi of Glendale, over the weekend. . . .

All of Tommy Cleary's 1200 turkeys went to market this week. . . . The Lathrops report a wonderful trip on theri vacation to San Francisco but were happy to return to their desert home.

Church Notes

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Rev. D C. Williams, Minister.
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Sunday School: Mrs. H. K. Lee, Supt., Community Chapel, 9:45 a.m.

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Wed. Bible Study 7:45 P.M.
Fri. Prayer Meeting 7:45 P.M.

CATHOLIC MASS
Sat. 9 a.m., Rev. O'Dowd

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AS AMENDED BY THE ACTS OF MARCH 3, 1933, AND JULY 2, 1946

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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Chester R. Bunker, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Publisher of the Joshua Journal and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily, weekly, semiweekly or triweekly newspaper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the acts of March 3, 1933, and July 2, 1946 (section 537, Postal Laws and Regulations), printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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THE TURKEY GROWERS PAGE

ASSEMBLED ON THIS PAGE EACH WEEK ARE NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE TURKEY GROWERS OF THE DESERT AREAS

Turkey Assn. Holds Monthly Meeting

SUNFAIR — Opening with a splendid educational talk by Fred Rahn, General Manager of the Southern California Turkey Growers Association, the regular monthly meeting of the Sunfair Turkey Growers Association was held in the store building here on Friday night.

Sixteen turkey growers were present and the meeting was under control of Bob Kroes, President of the local association.

Considerable interest shown by the members was an illustrated lecture presented by William Howard, Sales Supervisor of Pillsbury Feed. Accompanying Mr. Howard at the meeting was Carl Miller, District representative, and Joe Fagin, Finance Manager of Pillsbury.

Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Lugenvuhl of Twentynine Palms.

Next meeting of the association will be held December 2nd.

Another Turkey Ranch Under Construction

SUNFAIR — Contract for another turkey ranch here has been given to George Bloom, Contractor builder of Joshua Tree.

The ranch under development is the property of Miss Elsie C. Witchen of Inglewood.

Plans for the brooder house have been drawn and it is expected construction by Bloom will be started the latter part of this week.

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Women's Club Dinner Success

The Joshua Tree Women's Club wish to thank our friends who made our Halloween dinner Sat., Oct. 29th, such a success. It is our first of a series of dinners. Proceeds go to paying off our indebtedness on our Community Hall kitchen.

We served over 100 persons fine Sun Valley turkey or ham with all the "fixins" of a holiday dinner.

The delicious dinner was planned and prepared by Mrs. Amber Peterson andn her very capable committee. Home made pies were donated by many club members, and turkeys were prepared and roasted by other club members.

Mrs. Margret Bair, hostess for the evening, and her committee decorated the dining room and served the guests. The dining tables were decorated with small pumpkins and gourds. The hall was decorated with appropriate Halloween decorations, including: Shocks of corn; a colorful fire over which a black kettle brewed lucky numbers to win the two beautiful prizes from Margret's Craft shop. Mrs. H. Hedin won 1st prize — a lovely pillow; Mrs. Geo. Bloom won 2nd, a handmade corsage. Names were drawn from those attending the dinner who held notes. Seven notes were paid to Mrs. Janie Tootles, Ed Baldwin, Jack Crane, Mrs. Henrietta Pepper, Mr. Clifford Suffdy, Mr. James Shearn, and Mrs. Margret Bair.

Sun Valley Club

SUNFAIR — The regular meeting of the Sun Valley Club, Thursday, October 27th, was opened by President Robert Tootle. Nominations of officers for the coming year were in order.

President: Robert Tootle, Charles Frye, and Forrest Summers
Vice-President: Wm. Briggs, and Abel Terrazas
Secretary: Alma Summers
Treasurer: Mrs. Warren Scott and Betty Dutton
Sergeant of Arms: Guy Peterson and E. L. Bereman

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Surprise Party for Betty Dutton

SUNFAIR — Eight o'clock in the morning while Betty Dutton was on her knees scrubbing the floor the front door was pushed open and in came a bunch of friends singing Happy Birthday to You.

Friday morning, October 28th, was Perry Dutton's wife, Betty's birthday. Betty is a great girl to get her housework done early and then go gadding about the country. So to be sure to find Betty home it was decided by her friends — "We better go early if we want to surprise her."

Among the friends of Betty's who were present at the breakfast surprise were: Virinia Herling, Vonee Horton, Mary Burson, Steve Moninger, Chester Bunker, Bob Beals and Roy Hall.

The intruders brought their own breakfast with them and proceeded to cook it while Betty admired her gifts.

Sunfair Notes

SUNFAIR Mr. Nelson, Los Angeles, an attorney, and the largest single land owner in Joshua Tree on one of his frequent visits to Sunfair. . . . "Chet" Bunker, Steve Monninger, Charlie Mitchell and Mr. Haynes eating smoked herring with their beer at D-Bar-J Sports Center, Thursday afternoon and talking turkey. Ask June to give you Steve's recipe for making coffee, with cold water yet. . . . . Chuckle dept.: Mr. Haynes lost his prize show turkeys to the Association Truck one dark night a couple days before the Annual Turkey Show at Sunfair. Somebody (we ain't a-sayin' who) put them on the truck by mistake, and grower Haynes had to be satisfied with some little ole second and third prizes with some substitute birds . . . . this year's crop of turkeys are going to market as ninty per cent grade A birds. . . .

Arthur Haynes of the Haynes ranch made his usual bi-weekly trip out from Los Angeles to confer with Virginia Herling, Manager of the Haynes ranch.

SUNFAIR — According to telephone communication from Bob Beals of the Sunset Milling Co. to Robert Kroes, President of Sunfair Turkey Growers Association, a one day school, with morning and afternoon sessions will be held at the Ranchway Milling Co., Los Aneles, November 3rd, 9:30 A.M. The school will be conducted by Dr. R. C. Renwald, of Omaha, Neb. All turkey growers are invited to attend.

Turkey Page

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Peterman Gets Water Bullion Mountain Property

SUNFAIR — Lester and Ione Peterman bored by the activity now taking place in this desert turkey town, this past weekend got into their Jeep and with a trailer hitched on behind headed for the top of Bullion Mountains. Peterman who owns property there that cannot be reached except by Jeep or airplane, has just found water at shallow depth. What Pete is going to do with this property no one knows. Knowing Pete's luck like we do, water from the well will probably turn to liquid gold.

Sports - -

Bowling scores as of the week ending Oct. 29th are as follows:

DESERT LEAGUE

Watkins	14	2
Eagles	8	8
Teds	8	8
Sam's	7	9
Y. V. B. S.	6	10
Lions	5	11

TRI-VALLEY LEAGUE

Sportsmen	12	4
TionerTwon	9	7
Nelson's	8	8
P. T. Merch.	3	13

High bowling average for the Desert League was made by Orville Welcher with 171. Tri-Valley League, Roy Brown at 151. Ladies high, Connie Taylor 196, and high for October, Stan Gruber at 236.

Bob Garry, hard hitting batter for the Joshua Tree Sportsmen's softball team was this week awarded the trophy for the best batting average of the season. Bob has been high man for two years running.

Watch for an announcement of the annual turkey shoot!

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